

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Paragraph starting at line 1 of page 4 has been amended as follows:

As a variation, the surface of the skin layer 4 may be made uneven ~~by gravure or embossing finish process.~~ This may serve to reduce the frictional resistance by embossing, or by a so-called gravure process. The gravure process, or the embossing process, is a method of indenting a sheet-like material according to a design including a character pattern (say, on a metal sheet by using a press) so as to provide a raised appearance.